

BEAULIEU PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 19TH MARCH 2014
AT BEAULIEU VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT

Cllr. F. Norris (Chairman), Cllr. P. Fairweather (Vice Chairman), Cllr. L. Shanks, Cllr. C. Knight, Cllr. S. Steele, Cllr. Weiss, Cllr. C. McCafferty, Cllr. Gibbs

APOLOGIES

None

IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs. N. Deering (Clerk), Cllr. Thornber, Cllr. Vickers, Mr. J. Beaumont, PC Yates, Mrs. R. Pearson, Mr. S. Green

891. **MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

Proposed: Cllr. Shanks Seconded: Cllr. Steele

892. **MATTERS ARISING**

860. Cllr. Steele reported that the British Heart Foundation thought it would be a good idea to have a defib in the telephone box and said to submit a formal application. If the Ambulance Service get this for us we would pay 25/30% of the cost, approx £250 - £300. Cllr. Weiss thought we could fundraise for some of this, or maybe residents might make a donation. Cllr. Steele will talk to BT re the electricity needed. She said the Ambulance Service would come to our next meeting and answer any questions. Cllr. Norris thanked Cllr. Steele for her work on this. Cllr. Norris asked for a proposal and seconder that we proceed with this.

Proposed: Cllr. Shanks Seconded: Cllr. Weiss

890. Cllr. Norris mentioned the litter along Exbury Road and we had received a reply from the owners of NF Plants who said they will attend to matters as much as possible. Cllr. Norris said it was a lot cleaner and nowhere near the amount as before.

893. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr. Fairweather – Boarmans planning application

894. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

John Beaumont regarding the letter to the Lymington Times and Thorns Beach Enforcement control.

Steve Green spoke about the need for the council to remain in the Beaulieu village hall.

Mrs. Pearson re the electricity cable going from Lepe to the IOW. Drop in session in the Montagu Arms from 10am - 2pm on Saturday 29th March.

895. **HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCILS REPRESENTATIVES REPORT**

Cllr. Thornber very kindly said he would be happy to make a contribution towards the defib. from his members budget. Mentioned that all his other parish councils have more spacious rooms for their meetings. Said HCC are having a transport review and every area will be looked at regarding transport subsidies. Consultation will go on for a couple of months and if the PC have any views to please let him know. Said home to school and social care transport will not be

affected. Will keep us informed. The link is

www.hants.gov.uk/transportconsultation2014

Mentioned 'Wheels to Work' programme, jointly funded by HCC and NFDC, where youngsters get a moped to use, to get them to work, so they will be able to afford their own transport in the future.

896. **NEW FOREST DISTRICT COUNCILS REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT**

Cllr. Vickers said the Wiggle event 12/13th April will be starting at Marchams. Said DC have looked at legal and planning angles and there is nothing they can do to regulate or control these events. Said there are 58 Wiggle events this year. Said he was going to see the Minister of Transport on the 7th April regarding these events. Cllr. Weiss mentioned the litter these events create.

897. **UPDATE FROM PC YATES**

PC Yates said crime rate in Beaulieu was very low. From 1st Feb to date there have been 3 reported crimes. Large steel container belonging to tree surgeons was broken into at Hazel Copse and equipment stolen – no leads on this case. A boat opposite Gins was boarded and £8,000 of navigation equipment taken. Said at this time of year boat theft increase. A control box for an electric fence at North Lane was taken. Two reports of poachers, these reported to the county warden team. Cllr. Steele asked what the response time for incidents was. PC Yates said they only have two cars with two officers in each, one in Hythe and one in Totton, so will depend on where the cars are at that time. Cllr. Fairweather asked if he thought CCTV in the village to record traffic and people was a good idea. PC Yates said it was, but good quality equipment was needed, especially at night, but a good deterrent.

898. **WEBSITE**

Cllr. Shanks said she had not received many replies from councilors re the website – looking at it and checking the content. She said John Phipps has been a 'star' going through everything and commenting – said this has been a fantastic help. She said she needs contributions from councilors – it is not her website – it is everyone's. Needs to discuss which section to put items in and needs more participation. Cllr. Norris thanked Cllr. Shanks for all her work on this. Perhaps need a monthly planning session. Also we need to sell it – a letter from Cllr. Norris to the Residents Association and Beaulieu Estate and ask them to send out to their contacts.

899. **SECURITY**

Cllr. Fairweather said Chris Snell from Central Security could not attend tonight but will arrange a meeting and let councilors know.

900. **LOCATION OF MEETINGS**

Cllr. Norris said he felt reluctant to move from the village hall, said the best solution would be to change the day and move to the main hall, where we can use the projector. Agreed to change to Tuesdays. Talked about the Annual Assembly need to advertise this more in the future.

901. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Zurich asked to quote for our insurance – clerk to send last years from AON.

General

Lloyds Bank – Interest rates

Enforcement Control List – 3March 2014

Cllr. Fairweather said he has checked the playground and everything in order, and

will do more planting next month. Asked about signs at the bottom of the High Street and listed building consent. Clerk to ask Cllr. Thornber.

Cllr. McCafferty mentioned the letter to the Lymington Times. Cllr. Norris will write to the retailers.

Cllr. Gibbs said he has done the notice board, but will put teak oil on it.

Mentioned parking in Fire Station Lane, there has been cars parked on both sides of the road. Thinks there is not enough parking at the Montagu Arms, has concerns about the fire engine getting through.

Meeting closed at 8.30p.m.

Date of Next Meeting – Wednesday 16th April at 6.30p.m. in the Committee Room, Village Hall followed by the Annual Assembly.